

FINANCE, OIL AND GAS

New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—On the New York stock exchange Saturday business was rather light and confined mostly to specialties. Traders were not disposed to do much because of the impending triple holiday. Equipment stocks were firm and higher on the theory that the government will give them all they can do in the way of furnishing cars and motive power for the railroads. Crucible Steel was strong and closed 2 per cent. higher. Bethlehem Steel scored a fractional gain, while United States Steel closed practically unchanged although its tonnage report showed a small increase in unfilled orders during January. General Motors ruled within a range of 14 1/2 to 15 1/2, and closed at a slight loss. American Smelters closed 1 1/2 per cent. higher on a report that the company was arranging to re-open railroad list. Reading gained a point, but the other members of this group were extremely dull within a narrow range of fluctuations. Total sales for the two hours foot up 239,300 shares stocks and \$2,604,000 bonds.

Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 11.—Dealings on the Pittsburgh Stock Exchange during the five business days last week foot up 34,733 shares stocks and \$10,590 bonds. The price movement showed more gains than losses as compared with the previous week, 14 securities closing higher, 8 lower and 10 unchanged. The largest advance was in American Window Glass Machine common, which rose from 46 1/2 to 52 1/2 and closed at 50 1/2. This stock was in better demand than for some weeks previously, and the buying based upon expectations of dividend action in the reasonably near future. The largest losses were in traction bonds. Federal Street and Pleasant Valley Street Railway old 5s sold at 52, the lowest ever quoted and a decline of 18 points compared with the last previous public sale. West Penn Railway 5s sold at 9c, also a new low record and a loss of 5 per cent. between sales.

Summary for Saturday.

Stocks	High.	Low.
50 Am W G Mne.	50 1/2	50 1/2
300 Crucible Steel.	59	59
1,900 Mt Shasta.	35	34
95 Ohio Fuel Sup.	42 1/2	42 1/2
360 Pgh Brewing.	25	24
7,600 Pgh-Jerome.	52	52
90 Pgh O & G.	63 1/2	63 1/2
100 R'side E Oil pld.	24	24
500 San Toy Mining.	14	14
100 West Airbrake.	96	96

BONDS.

\$1,000 W Penn Rys 5s	90	90
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Oil and Gas.

The advance in the market on Friday was the one thing discussed by Eastern operators at the close of the week. It is the consensus of opinion that the 25-cent advance will stimulate development work. With the return of good weather southwest Pennsylvania operators, it is said, will be scanning the old fields for new locations and at the same time give some attention to developing territory that is capable of furnishing small wells. It will now be possible to drill in prospect for nothing better than wells with a production so small as to be not considered worth drilling when the market was lower. Producers who have held on to their old wells during previous depressions now find that they have a new value and will do their best to get a little more production. In the final analysis it is the producer with settled production who is reaping the greatest profit from the high market oil field observers say.

In the Berea grit territory in Cabin Creek district, Kanawha county, W. Va., the United Fuel Gas company has a fine producer at No. 21, on the Imperial Coal company's property. The well was drilled through the sand during the early part of the week and reported showing for a 200-barrel producer. On Friday it was given a shot and its production increased from 200 to 300 barrels a day. It has been many months since any district in West Virginia completed a 200-barrel well. Out of 15 completions on this tract, No. 21 is the largest producer. No. 18 has not been shot but is producing 200 barrels a day, natural.

In Cabin Creek district on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad right-of-way, the Little Oil company has completed its test and it is showing for a 60-barrel producer, natural. No. 2 and 3 on the same right of way are drilling. The United Fuel Gas company is drilling four wells on the Imperial Coal company's property and the Ohio Cities Gas company has 15 strings of tools running on the William Coal company's tract. On Kelly's creek, the United Fuel Gas company is drilling four more wells on the Sunday Creek Coal company's property.

At the head waters of Campbell's run, Mannington district, Marion county, Monroe & Alford have drilled their test on the A. L. Thomas farm through the Campbell run sand. It is showing for an 8-barrel producer. On Dents run in the same district, the Blackshore Oil and Gas company is due in the Gordon sand at No. 3 on the W. S. Straight farm. In Ten Mile district, Harrison county, the Hope Natural Gas company is due in the Big Injun sand at a test on the Joseph Bennett farm.

On Wolf Pen run, Freemans Creek district, Lewis county, the Reserve Gas company has completed a test on the Calvin Flesher farm. It is a fair gasser in the Big Injun sand. On Big run, Liberty district, Marshall county, the Manufacturers Light & Heat company has drilled its test on the J. M. Rhine farm through the Big Injun sand. A fair gas pressure was developed in that formation.

In a few districts there is new work starting. On Horn creek, Troy district, Gilmer county, the Philadelphia company is rigging up at a test on the Homer Mason farm. On Bear Fork in the same district, the same company is drilling in the Big Injun sand on the J. C. Smith farm. On Freemans creek, Freemans Creek district, Lewis county, the Reserve Gas company has finished rigging up and is ready to drill a test on the F. White farm. The same company has started to drill on the A. P. White farm. On the right fork of Freemans creek, the same company is down 1,800 feet at a test on the Peter Gorn farm.

On Bens run, Liberty district, Marshall county, the Manufacturers Light and Heat company is due in the Gordon sand on the Samuel Ernest farm. On Wheeling creek, Richland district, Ohio county, John Newlin & Co., are drilling at 800 feet on the J. A. Miller & company farm. This well is purely a wild cat and is attracting some attention. In Greenbrier district, Doddridge county, the Wayland Oil and Gas company has drilled a test on the A. Sadler farm to a depth of 2,475 feet and sent down in Patton's district, Monongalia county, the Blackshore Oil and Gas company is down 500 feet on the William Kincaid farm.

Grain and Produce

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Expectation of big receipts on Monday eased the grain markets Saturday at the finish. Corn closed steady but 1/4c to 1/2c net lower, and oats off 1/4c to 1/2c. Provisions gained 7 to 15 cents net.

Articles.	Open.	Close.
Corn—		
March	1.27 1/2	1.27 1/2
May	1.25 1/2	1.25
Oats—		
March	.83 1/2	.82 1/2
May	.80	.79 1/2
Pork—		
May	46.70	46.92

FUNERAL OF MRS. EVERSON.

The body of Mrs. Charles C. Everson, of this city, whose death occurred on Saturday at Clarksburg, was brought to this city yesterday and interred in Maple Grove cemetery.

Miss Elizabeth Lemley, of Burton, Mo had spent the past few days in this city, left today for Morgantown where she will visit relatives.

"PUTTING THE GRIN INTO THE FIGHT"



SUN FLASHING WARNING SIGNALS OF IMPENDING EARTH CATAclysms



By PROF. ALBERT F. PORTA
(Noted Astronomer and Former Instructor in Mathematics and Architecture at Turin University, Italy, and Santa Clara College, Cal.)

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 8.—All earthquakes and volcanic eruptions can be accurately and scientifically foretold. The revolution of the planets, and the sun spots they produce when in conjunction or opposition, provide the key—to be read by anyone who understands the legends of the heavens.

By these signs I have been able within the past four years to prognosticate hundreds of quakes, including the recent Quatemala disaster, the eruptions of Mt. Lassen, Vesuvius, Central American volcanoes and many others, as well as general weather conditions throughout the world.

And by the same infallible tokens I read a dread augury for February. There will be three seismic periods during the month.

The first will occur between February 2 and 5 along the Mediterranean and Adriatic seas, probably affecting Italy, Greece and Asia Minor, or along the Pacific coast.

The second period, from February 9 to 16, will produce quakes in Central Europe, or in Alaska and the Pacific coast on the same meridian. It will also probably again cause violent disturbances in Central America, including ill-fated Guatemala.

This will be the most severe temblor recorded in many years, for the sun's electro-magnetic energy will be powerfully disturbed by the combined tug of 15 different planetary configurations.

Only a little less severe will be the third period, falling between February 22 and 28, and due to 11 planetary phenomena. Regions affected by this disturbance again will be the Mediterranean and Adriatic, together with Alaska, Japan and the Pacific coast in the same latitude belt.

Dangerous planetary combinations will also produce four eruptive periods in February, occurring on the 2d to 8th, 9th to 12th, 15th to 20th and 22d to 28th, in the regions already defined.

These predictions are not based on mysticism or guesswork, but on exact science.

Years of observation and study have enabled me to announce to the world this law: An earthquake will occur as often as a sunspot or facula, produced by the conjunction or opposition of two or more planets, is approaching or crossing the central solar meridian, front or back.

And volcanic eruption will occur when sunspots, approaching or crossing the central solar meridian, are produced by the opposition or conjunction of Venus with any other planet.

This law is constant. Now let me explain briefly that electro-magnetism is the universal natural force operating throughout the solar system, and that sunspots advertise disturbances in the exchange of this energy between the sun and its family of planets.

The formation, appearance and passage across the sun's surface of these sunspots can be accurately determined by mathematics. I can tell years in advance when and where they will appear, and have already charted all those that will occur in 1918.

The nature of sunspots was described by Prof. G. E. Hale, director of Mt. Wilson observatory, as " gigantic cyclones or vast whirlpools of electric particles, their centers or cores being fields of intense magnetic energies."

And Prof. G. P. Serviss adds, "a sunspot is like an enormous electric dynamo whose tremendous whirling generate a powerful magnetic field such as the revolving armature of a dynamo of equal size would generate."

It is this energy which holds world to world and whose disturbance is responsible for earthquakes.

KEEP LOOKING YOUNG

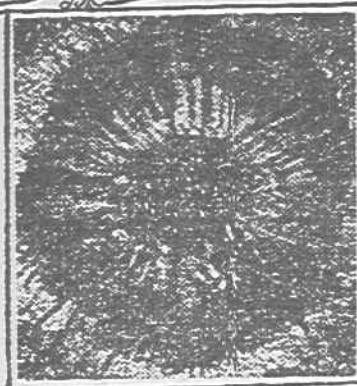
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Professor Albert F. Porta making calculations on which he bases his earthquake and volcanic predictions. The white inset circle designates the solar system, with the planets grouped in a dangerously narrow segment during early January, and the sun-spot shown below is one of the solar signals of approaching earth disturbances.

coproacted among all the planets.

Knowing that the rush of electro-magnetism from the sun is magnified by the opposition or conjunction of planets, it is comparatively simple to calculate when and where the resulting earth disturbances will occur. They would always happen at the exact time the sunspots cross the central solar meridian—a line projected from the center of the earth through the polar axis of the sun—were it not for the influence of the moon, which retards or accelerates the effect with in a five-day period.

The day is almost here when this language of the skies will be made intelligible to every school child for the benefit of humanity; when cities will be forewarned, and life, if not properly be safeguarded.

The blazing finger of the planets

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writes a terrible story in the heavens. Anyone understanding the sun-spot law can decipher what for ages has been an unintelligible jargon even to the men of science.

SPECIAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

At a meeting of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, held on the 22nd day of January, A. D. 1918, Case No. 663, Hope Natural Gas Company Application to Change Rates, it was ordered, as follows:

"This being the day fixed for the hearing of the application filed by Hope Natural Gas Company to change its rates for natural gas, now comes the said Hope Natural Gas Company, by Charles Payne, Charles Powell and Kombe White, its attorneys, and come also James S. McCiner of McCiner & McCiner, and Ross Wells, attorneys for a number of protestants who have filed protests in this matter, which appear in the record, and thereupon the notices required to be given by the applicant by a former order entered herein, together with the returns of publication and posting thereof and the returns of the service thereof of upon all of the consumers of the applicant, are now presented to the Commission, and the Commission finding that all of its requirements in respect to the publication, posting and service of said order and notice have been complied with and that said order and notice have been published, posted and served as required, it is now ordered that the said notice and order and the certificates, affidavits and returns of the publishing, posting and service thereof, be and are made parts of the record hereof.

"And the applicant, Hope Natural Gas Company, now applies for permission to file herein its amended and supplemental petition and application, in triplicate, and Exhibit No. 2 therewith. And the Commission, having read and examined the said amended and supplemental petition and application and such exhibit therewith, doth grant the applicant the permission asked. It is, therefore, ordered that the applicant be and is hereby permitted to file its said amended and supplemental petition and application and Exhibit No. 2 therewith, and make the same parts of the record hereof, all of which is now done.

"And the said applicant asking that the date for the hearing of this application on the said amended and supplemental petition and application and the exhibit therewith, as well as on the original petition and application and Schedule PSC-W. Va. No. 5 therewith, be fixed for the 1st day of March, 1918, it is so ordered by the Commission.

"It is further ordered that the applicant publish a copy of this order once each week for four successive weeks in two newspapers of opposite politics, if such there be, and of general circulation in the county or counties affected by the proposed change in rates, both by the original application and petition and schedule therewith and by said amended and supplemental petition and application and Exhibit No. 2 therewith, and also that a copy of this order and said proposed rates be posted for public inspection at the office of the Mayor in each of the towns affected by the proposed change in rates, for four successive weeks prior to March 1, 1918. The Commission deems it unnecessary in this matter cause the applicant to mail to or serve on each of its consumers affected by the proposed change in rates further written notice.

"And it is further ordered by the Commission that, pending the giving of the aforesaid notice, the rates in effect at the time the original application and petition was filed shall continue and remain in force and effect until the 1st day of March, 1918, or until further order of the Commission."

Hope Natural Gas Company.
By JOHN G. PEW, Vice President.
Jan. 28-Feb. 4-11-18.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of that certain deed of trust made by Fairmont Cooperative Association to the undersigned W. B. Call, Trustee, dated January 30, 1918, and recorded in the clerk's office of the county court of Marion county, West Virginia, in Trust deed book 5 at page — to secure the creditors of said Association, I will on Wednesday the 13th day of February, 1918, at 10:00 a. m. of that day at the store room of said Association located at the corner of Tenth street and Virginia avenue in the city of Fairmont, Marion county, West Virginia offer for sale at public auction all the merchandise of said Association consisting of groceries, canned goods, notions, one automobile truck, store furniture and fixtures, book accounts and all other property of said Association upon the following terms: Cash in hand on day of sale.

Said stock of merchandise will be offered in bulk in separate lots as desired by purchasers and if said sale should not be completed on that day the same will be adjourned from day to day at the same place by public outcry.

W. B. CALL, Trustee.

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Fairmont, W. Va.

NOTICE

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Meet him in the directors room of the bank and your income tax report will be made up free of charge.

Fairmont Trust Company